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Davis To Lead Hearing on Climate Change Research

What: Government Reform Committee Legislative Hearing,
"Climate Change Technology Research: Do We Need a 'Manhattan
Project' for the Environment?"

When: Thursday, September 21, 2006
10 a.m.

Where: ROOM 2154, RAYBURN HOUSE OFFICE BUILDING

The Committee on Government Reform will hold an oversight hearing to explore whether a need exists for a program to manage research in transformational technologies in climate change and, if so, to determine how that program should be administered.

The committee held a hearing on July 20 to address the science behind climate change and found that the earth is indeed warming and carbon dioxide accumulation in the atmosphere is indeed a major contributor to this warming. Today, the United States spends \$3 billion per year on near- and mid-term technologies. This hearing will explore the need for research into transformational technologies and how such a program would be structured.

The director of the Climate Change Technology Program will discuss the status of climate-change technology in the U.S., CCTP's strategic plan and budgetary/organizational obstacles. The second panel will address the need for increased climate change research and the pros and cons of establishing a Climate Change Advanced Research Projects Agency (CCARPA).

WITNESSES

PANEL I

Mr. Stephen D. Eule

Director

Climate Change Technology Program

Mr. John B. Stephenson

Director

Government Accountability Office

PANEL II

Mr. Lee Lane

Executive Director

Climate Policy Center

Dr. Richard Van Atta

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